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# CONSTITUTION

OF THE

MIDDLESEX AUXILIARY SOCIETY

FOR THE

EDUCATION OF PIOUS YOUTH

FOR THE

## GOSPEL MINISTRY.



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## MIDDLESEX AUXILIARY SOCIETY.

AT a meeting of a number of ministers and others of the county of Middlesex, at Hamilton's Hotel in Concord, on the 16th day of October, 1845, for the purpose of devising and adopting the best measures to carry into effect the object of THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR EDUCATING PIOUS YOUTH FOR THE GOSPEL MINISTRY, as expressed in the sixth Article of the Constitution of said Society, the Rev. JONATHAN HOMER was chosen Moderator, and the Rev. JOHN B. WIGHT, Scribe. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Moderator. After a free and full discussion of the subject, it was voted, "That this meeting highly approve the object of the American Society for educating Pious Youth for the Gospel Ministry;" and that, in their opinion, it is expedient to form an Auxiliary Society in the county of Middlesex. A committee

was chosen to form a Constitution for an Auxiliary Society.

At an adjourned meeting at the Court house in Concord on the 6th day of November, 1816, the Committee reported a Constitution ; which was adopted, and ordered to be printed.

A Committee was then appointed to execute the objects of the Society until the meeting in June, as provided by the Constitution. This Committee is authorized to collect and retain monies, and to pay over the same to the Treasurer, who may be appointed by the Society.

Due notice will be given to the inhabitants of the county of the time and place of the meeting in June, which those who are friendly to the object are respectfully invited to attend, as the Society is then to be organized by the election of officers.

## THE COMMITTEE ARE,

Rev. Mr. CHAPLIN, of Groton,  
Rev. Mr. HOMER, of Newton,  
Rev. Dr. HOLMES, of Cambridge,  
Rev. Mr. STEARNS, of Bedford,  
Deacon WHITE, of Concord,  
Deacon HILLIARD, of Cambridge,  
Dr. PEARSON, of Bedford,  
Rev. Mr. CHICKERING, of Woburn,  
Rev Mr. WIGHT, of East Sudbury.

## CONSTITUTION.

WE, whose names are under written, highly approving the object of “The American Society for educating Pious Youth for the Gospel Ministry,” and desirous of contributing to its support, do hereby form ourselves into an Association, by the name of the “Middlesex Auxiliary Society for educating Pious Youth for the Gospel Ministry,” and adopt the following Constitution :

I. The object of this Society shall be the enlargement of the funds of the Parent Society, by paying the monies collected, to the Treasurer of that Society, and by establishing Branch Societies in the several towns and parishes in the county, for the same purpose, as more fully expressed in the sixth article of the Constitution of the said “American Society.”

II. Any person, being an inhabitant of the county of Middlesex, may become a

member of this Society, by subscribing this Constitution, and engaging to pay annually, on or before the first day of June, a sum not less than one dollar; and shall continue a member, so long as he shall make such annual payment. Any person also, in the county aforesaid, who shall subscribe and pay into the treasury of this Society a sum not less than fifteen dollars, may be a member for life; and any member of the Parent Society, living within the county, may become a member of this Auxiliary Society, by simply subscribing this Constitution.

III. The officers of this Society shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and an Auditor, who shall be annually chosen by ballot; and these officers, together with four Directors, to be also chosen annually by ballot, shall constitute a Board of Direction.

IV. It shall be the duty of the Board of Direction to use their best endeavours for increasing the number of subscribers to this Society, and to transmit to the Treasurer and Secretary their names and the sums

subscribed ; and, in their collective and individual capacity, to encourage and aid the formation of Branch Societies and other charitable associations in the several towns and parishes within the county.

V. The Treasurer shall be required to keep a distinct account of the sums received by him from the members of this Society, and of all donations ; and also of the several sums from time to time received by him from the respective Treasurers of the several Branch and other Societies connected with this ;—to pay all incidental expenses, as ordered by the Board of Direction ; and to transfer, once a year at least, (or quarterly, if required by the Board,) all monies in his hands to the Treasurer of the Parent Society.

The payment of all monies shall be made by order of the Board.

VI. The Auditor shall examine the Treasurer's accounts, and make Report of the same in writing, at every annual meeting of the Society.

VII. There shall be an annual meeting



of the Society on the second Wednesday in June, in such place as the Society may determine, for the purpose of choosing officers, hearing the Auditor's Report, and transacting other necessary business.

VIII. This Constitution, but not its object, may, at any annual meeting of the Society, be altered by a vote of three fourths of the members present, provided said alteration be recommended by the Board of Direction.



*THE Article of the Constitution of the AMERICAN SOCIETY, referred to in the first of the above Articles, makes it the duty of the Board of Directors of that Society "to superintend the management of the funds "and other property of the Society ; and to effect, to "the utmost of their power, the enlargement of the "same," . . . . . "by establishing auxiliary Soci- "eties, and other charitable female Associations of va- "rious kinds, as also of young men of different occu- "pations, especially of such as have themselves enjoy- "ed the advantages of a liberal education . . . ." &c.*



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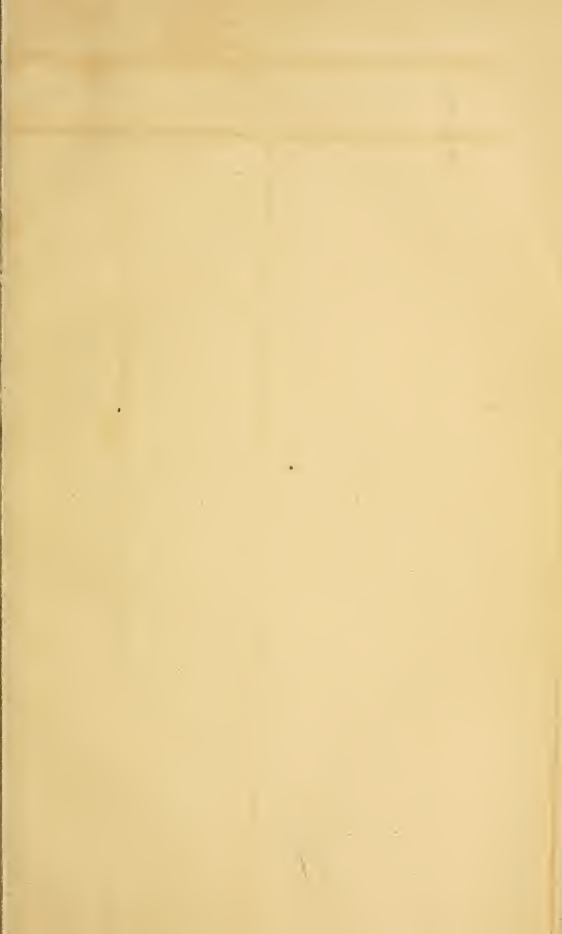
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